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### Minutes

**Bureau of Pipefitters, Refrigeration Technicians and Sprinklerfitters  
Department of Public Safety, Bldg B, 1380 Bay St., Taunton, MA 02780  
December 10, 2014, 9:30 a.m.**

1. Meeting called to order by the Chairman at 9:30 a.m., followed by roll call, the Chairman asked that members identify themselves and whom they represent:

Board Members Present:

Edward Kawa, Chairman  
John Viola, Sprinkler Contractor  
Frank Norton, Boston A/C Contractors  
Leo Fahey, Pipefitters  
William Gallagher, Refrigeration Techs  
Dan Dumont, NE Mechanical Contractors  
Pauline Lally, User Group  
Brian Kelly, Building and Construction Trades  
Mark Fortune, Sprinklerfitters  
Michael Torchio, Mech. Engineers

Guests Present:

Brett LaPlante, UA Local 51  
Doug Neveu, Notch Mechanical  
Chuck Borstel, ABC  
Barbara Lagergren, Gould Const.  
Tom Theroux, PHC Cont. Assoc.  
Henry Geryk, Dist. Insp/DPS  
Carrie Torrisi, DPS  
Cesar Lastra, Tech.Code.Coord/DPS  
Holly Bartlett, DPS

Board Members Not Present:

Jennifer Revill

2. Approval of Minutes: The Chairman asked that the Bureau review the draft minutes from the Bureau meeting on November 19. **Motion to approve minutes from the meeting on November 19, 2014, made by Mark Fortune, seconded by Brian Kelly; motion passed by unanimous vote.**
3. Executive Session: At 9:35, the Chairman asked for a motion to move into Executive Session for approximately 15 minutes, for Purpose 3, to meet with counsel. The Chairman then asked that members of the public leave the meeting at this point. At 9:55, Executive Session was closed, and members of the public were permitted to re-enter the room.
4. Review of Grandfathering Applications: The Chairman reiterated the process being followed for review of the applications for grandfathering licensure: each application will be considered, and either approved/denied/or returned for additional information. The following applications for grandfathered Process Piping license were considered and acted on as indicated:

Joshua Begin, PM	Motion to <u>approve</u> this application made by Jack Viola, seconded by Mark Fortune; motion passed by majority vote (8 in favor, 2 opposed).
Christopher Sandusky, PM	Motion to <u>approve</u> this application made by Dan Dumont, seconded by Pauline Lally; motion passed by unanimous vote.
Luke Ciarfella, PM	Motion to <u>approve</u> this application made by Dan Dumont, seconded by Leo Fahey; motion passed by unanimous vote.
Timothy Hammond, PJ	Motion to <u>deny</u> this application due to insufficient work hours made by Jack Viola, seconded by Mark Fortune; motion passed by unanimous vote.
Michael McKean, PM	Motion to <u>approve</u> this application to sit for <i>Journeyman Process Piping Pipefitter</i> made by Leo Fahey, seconded by Mark Fortune; motion passed by unanimous vote.
Eric Sweet, PM	Motion to <u>approve</u> this application made by Dan Dumont, seconded by Mark Fortune; motion passed by unanimous vote.
Sean Porper, PJ	Motion to <u>approve</u> this application made by Dan Dumont, seconded by Leo Fahey; motion passed by unanimous vote.
Joseph Sullivan, PJ	Motion to <u>deny</u> this application made by Brian Kelly, seconded by Mark Fortune; motion passed by unanimous vote.
Jon Chadwick, PJ	Motion to <u>approve</u> this application made by Leo Fahey, seconded by Mark Fortune; motion passed by unanimous vote.
James Sowders, PJ	Motion to <u>approve</u> this application made by Dan Dumont, seconded by Frank Norton; motion passed by unanimous vote.
Kristopher Chiancola, PJ	Motion to <u>deny</u> this application due to insufficient work experience made by John Viola, seconded by Leo Fahey; motion passed by unanimous vote.
Craig Conner, PJ	Motion to <u>deny</u> this application due to insufficient work experience made by Bill Gallagher, seconded by Leo Fahey; motion passed by unanimous vote.
Nicholas Bickerton, PJ	Motion to <u>approve</u> this application made by Jack Viola, seconded by Pauline Lally; motion passed by unanimous vote.
Timothy Bartlett, PJ	Motion to <u>request additional information</u> regarding the specific type of process piping systems worked on made by John Viola, seconded by Frank Norton; motion passed by unanimous vote.
Daniel Gargiulo, PM	Motion to <u>deny</u> this application made by Dan Dumont, seconded by Leo Fahey; motion passed by unanimous vote.
John Ambrosino, PJ	Motion to <u>request additional information</u> made by Frank Norton, seconded by John Viola; motion passed by unanimous vote.

5. The Chairman addressed the Bureau briefly regarding the status of grandfathering applications in the Department. Applications for grandfathering are being processed for those individuals who hold current pipefitting and plumbing licenses; no applications have been received for the new pipefitting license examination. Inspector Henry Geryk is working with the Chairman on review/approval process for approved schools for the new process pipefitting. Information will be sent to interested entities in mid-January; the Chairman asked that Bureau members pass this information along to any interested entities that they are aware of. Also, the Chairman reiterated that March 14, 2015, is the deadline for applications to be considered under the grandfathering clause.
6. **Motion to adjourn made by William Gallagher, seconded by Brian Kelly; motion passed by unanimous vote, meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM.**

**The next meeting of the Bureau of Pipefitters, Refrigeration Technicians, and Sprinklerfitters will be on  
Wednesday, February 18, 2015.**

List of Documents/Exhibits Used at this Meeting

- a. Draft agenda for today's meeting
- b. Draft minutes from meetings on December 10, 2014
- c. Grandfather Applications for Process Piping Licenses:
  - Joshua Begin, PM
  - Christopher Sandusky, PM
  - Luke Ciarfella, PM
  - Timothy Hammond, PJ
  - Michael McKean, PM
  - Eric Sweet, PM
  - Sean Porper, PJ
  - Joseph Sullivan, PJ
  - Jon Chadwick, PJ
  - James Sowders, PJ
  - Kristopher Chiancola, PJ
  - Craig Conner, PJ
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